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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 22, 2005, please enter the following response. This amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time (1 Month).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

The executed declaration of Girish Srinivas is attached hereto.